

Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Project  
Lakeview Stewardship Unit  
2013

**Project Name: West Drews Aspen Restoration**

**Location: Lakeview Ranger District - Drews Creek Watershed**

**Map: 2013 West Drews Aspen Restoration**

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This project will improve aspen stands within the West Drews Project area by reducing competition between aspen and encroaching conifers and juniper. For non commercial work, hand crews will use chainsaws to fell conifer trees less than 12” dbh and juniper less than 21” dbh. Commercial aspen treatments would consist of removing all conifers less than 21” dbh within 60’ of the last aspen tree. These treatments could be followed with jack pot and under burning to reduce fuel loading, fire intensities and competition within the aspen stands. Reducing juniper and small conifer encroachment will create a large complex of healthy resilient aspen stands.

The Fremont-Winema National Forest has identified aspen restoration as a high priority for restoring wildlife habitat. Many aspen stands on the Fremont-Winema National Forest are at risk due to conifer encroachment from decades of fire suppression. The Forest is working to address this issue on a Forest-wide scale. Completing this project would be a great step in reversing the loss of this critical habitat type.

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